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THE U. F. A. GAME.

Last Saturday afternoon on the home diamond Hamilton played her first game of baseball, defeating the U. F. A. nine by a score of 10 to 0. While from a practice viewpoint the game gave indications of a team of considerable promise, it was slow, and in the first half, quite uninteresting. The first four innings were blanks for both sides, but in the fifth Daly infused a little life into the game by making a two-base hit and the first run. In the sixth Hamilton secured five more runs. Clark, getting off with a two-base hit, went to third on Allen's out and scored on White's fielder's choice, while four more runs were added by three singles and two errors. A base on balls, two singles and Cody's being hit, gave two runs in the seventh. Hamilton's scoring ended in the eighth inning, when, thru a ball hitting Daly and thru singles by Judson and Clark, two runs were made.

The Uticans were far outclassed and their only semblance of a hit came in the sixth inning, when Miller singled. Bostwick, who, in the fourth inning, gained first on an error by Allen and then stole second and third, was the only U. F. A. man to reach third.

Due to the slight nervousness shown by the team in the early part of the game, the batting was at first poor. However, this was only temporary, and as the game progressed the men seemed to get more into the spirit of ball. The results of the game were, as a whole, gratifying, and when some few weak places in the playing have received a little more attention we will have an unusually good team.

The feature of the game was the work of Daly, who pitched a good, steady game thruout, striking out eight men. Capt. Clark had a double and two singles. Most of the squad were tried out during the game and showed up well. Doherty replaced Smith at left field in the seventh inning, Sarles was substituted in the fifth for Lewis at center, and Hatfield at right field was replaced by Gardner and Sidle in the fifth and seventh innings respectively. Mitchell caught during the last inning. The umpiring of Frasier, '08, was very satisfactory.

The tabulated score follows:

HAMILTON, 4.	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Judson, ss	4	2	1	0	1	1
Clark, 2b (capt.)	5	2	3	1	2	0
Allen, 3b	5	0	0	0	2	1
White, c	4	1	1	11	2	0
Mitchell, c	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cody, 1b	3	1	1	9	0	0
Smith, lf	3	1	1	4	0	0
Doherty, lf	1	0	0	1	0	0
Lewis, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sarles, cf	3	1	1	1	0	0
Hatfield, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Gardner, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Sidle, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Daly, p	3	2	1	0	1	0
Totals	36	10	9	27	8	2

U. F. A., 5.	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Clemens, ss	4	0	0	1	2	0
Millar, p and 3d	2	0	0	0	4	0
Essel, p and 3d	4	0	0	0	6	2
Bostwick, (capt.) c	2	0	0	6	0	3
Green, 1b	3	0	0	14	1	1
Wise, 2b	2	0	0	0	1	1
Manuel, 2b	1	0	0	0	1	0
Hatfield, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Morehouse, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Wratten, cf	3	0	0	2	0	1
Benedict, lf	1	0	0	1	0	0
Miller, lf	2	0	1	0	0	0
Totals	27	0	1	24	15	8

Summary:

Earned runs, Hamilton 4; base on balls, off Daly 3, off Essel 1, off Millar, 2; left on bases, Hamilton 3, Utica 2; first base on errors, Hamilton 2, Utica 2; two-base hits, Daly, Clark; struck out, by Daly 8, by Essel 2, by Millar 1; double plays, Daly to Clark to Cody, White to Cody; passed balls, Bostwick; hit by pitcher, Cody, Daly; stolen bases, Allen, Judson, Bostwick 2; time of game, 1:40; umpire, Fraser, '08.

Clark Prize

The appointments to the Fifty-third Clark Prize Competition follow:

ALLEN: "Wagner's Tanhauser."

ANIBAL: "The Ethics of Modern Industry."

FITCH: "Wagner's Tanhauser."

SIMMONS: "The Mission of Mysticism."

WEEKES: "The Menace of Child Labor."

WILLIAMS: "The Ethics of Modern Industry."

U. F. A. vs. 1910

The Sophomore Track Team will meet the aggregation from U. F. A. on Wednesday at 2:30 on the Campus. This will not only prove spectacularly enjoyable, but is an instance of praiseworthy initiative. It should prove an effective stimulus to the Sophomores to get out for Track.

TODAY'S GAME

The first regular Baseball game of the season will be played here today with St. Lawrence University. With the two previous practice games, the team is now in good condition, and Coach Murphy expects very good re-

sults. From the previous games with St. Lawrence it is expected that a strong aggregation will be present. In order to cover expenses the management needs a good attendance on the part of the College body.

The line-up of the teams follows:

HAMILTON		ST. LAWRENCE
Daly, '11,	Pitcher	A. Calder
White, '08,	Catcher	M. O'Brien
Cody, '08	1st Base	R. Calder
Clark, '08 (Capt.)	2nd Base	Joyce
Allen, '11,	3rd Base	Alexander
Judson, '10,	Short Stop	A. Brainard
Lewis, '08,	Right Field	T. Brainard
Sarles, '10,	Centre Field	Chrysman
G. Smith, '08,	Left Field	McDonald

THE PLANS FOR THE "LIT."

The new Lit. Board is filled out by the admission of Rudd, Truax, and Welch from the Juniors, and Leavenworth from 1910, while Woollcott has been re-elected Editor-in-Chief. This is the board which will produce its first number on the first of June and carry the work on next year.

The plans for what the Lit. will be in the coming volume are not and cannot be complete at the present writing. There will be among other things, a serial story of a unique nature which will be further explained in the June issue. There will be a series of Reminiscences in the vein of those which have been appearing, only the new ones will come from the Alumni at large. Every month the best oration, in the opinion of the Board, which has been given in the Chapel, will be printed in the Lit. in order that the Alumni may know just what we are doing in that line. There are other embryonic schemes, but of those later.

One thing is as yet undecided and it rests with the College—the size of the coming issues. A point was strained last June and eight pages added to the Lit. of previous years, but the new board is desirous of doubling this increase and looks to the College for support. It will simply be a matter of every man on the Hill subscribing: if they all do, the increase is feasible, otherwise not. Trusting that this situation will bring in a subscription from everyone, the June issue will flaunt some fifty pages, and then it rests with all of us as to whether it will be kept up.

The addition means more material, and the hope for a better Lit. is based on steady contribution. To the 1910 and 1911 men the Board looks for the competition between now and next May which will determine the successors of the five members from 1909. The field is now open.

ADVISORY BOARD

At a meeting of the Advisory Board on Thursday evening, an amendment to Article VI, Sec. 5 was moved by Captain Smith that: The H may be awarded to or withheld from any man or men upon the recommendation of the Captain and the President of the Association, by a four-fifths vote of the Advisory Board and a four-fifths vote of the members present at a meeting of the Association.

The reasons for this amendment were that the Constitution provided for no means of withholding an H when in the discretion of the College the man had proved unworthy of having an H, and also that some men, either by injury or some unavoidable circumstances, are prevented from obtaining the letter even tho in the eyes of all, the man is deemed deserving of that honor.

The motion was passed that the Advisory Board will not pay the expense of medical attendance in excess of ten dollars for any individual in any season, or will it pay any such expense not authorized by the captain and manager of the department. A committee was appointed for the purpose of reviving interest in the Interclass Field Meet.

The rule was adopted that the manager of Track be regularly the representative to the N. Y. S. I. A. A. An amendment was passed that: An H will be awarded to a man who has won five points in a Track season. By-Law 7 was moved to read: Those are eligible to vote for the respective leaders of the Glee and Instrumental Clubs who have taken part in twenty-five per cent. of the scheduled concerts.

The Trophy Committee as appointed follows: Prof. Sicard, Conklin and Getman, '09.

D. Ts. BLOSSOMING

Last Friday night the Campusites were startled by the weird yell which tells the surrounding country that the D. T. Club is on the rampage. As the mystic sounds rent the atmosphere, many a Freshman bending over his books, shivered slightly and assumed an expectant air. For "a cat may look at a king" and "the wind bloweth where it listeth." But for those found worthy, there is a very thorny path to tread, guarded by many swinging paddles. A stern goddess holds the portals of the fold, and those who enter never forget the experience. Nor do they refuse cushions.

After propitiating the goddess in the approved manner and laying plans for the coming campaign, Commons was visited. No Freshmen were disturbed, but there is a good time coming. Tonight the Club enjoys a dinner and theatre party in Utica.

Beware, beware young hopefuls, for the time aproaches and is not far off!

HOBART GAME

Next Tuesday Hobart meets the Varsity on Steuben Field. It has been reported that Hobart this year has a very strong team and will undoubtedly give us a stiff contest. Their team is practically the same as that which defeated us so badly at Geneva last year. The game will furnish an opportunity to compare the relative merits of the present aggregation and the Varsity of last spring.

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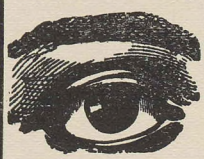

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THIS AFTERNOON OCCURS THE first College baseball game of our season. We should win and it should be a beginning of many victories. But it will not be won unless the College supports its team. If we begin the season half-heartedly, if the College does not support, we will start a chain of ignominious defeats instead of victories. Lack of skill, Hamilton forgives; lack of spirited backing, Hamilton never has nor will forgive. The baseball team promises to be the best of recent years—an exceptionally enjoyable exhibition is certain. But that is not the reason why every man in College will attend.

THE QUESTION as to our entrance requirements is becoming more and more of vital importance. LIFE asks for expressions on this subject. We believe that its importance with regard to Hamilton's future demands a thoro discussion, and to that purpose we offer our columns. But to facilitate—to make possible—any approach toward definite decision, it is necessary to ascertain clearly what our requirements are. The Catalog contains the only information concerning them that is at our command. But the three-quarters page that is therein devoted to that all-important matter leaves us still in doubt. In "The Requirements for the Classical Course" we find the following as explanatory to the enumerated subjects, such as Greek, Latin, etc.: "Equivalents in kind only." We confess that we have no idea exactly what that means. Then for the Latin-Scientific Course: "In place of Greek, two full years in German and one in French are REQUIRED." Does this last mean that a man can *not* enter on two years in French and one year in German; or on three years in either of these two or in any other modern language?

From reading the Catalog we gain no definite idea as to Hamilton's Entrance Requirements. May it not be, then, that many High School boys easily get a wrong impression, if any, as to what they are? We are not alone when we ask if it be not possible that the next Catalog be clearer in the statement of what constitute Hamilton's Entrance Requirements.

LIFE HEARTILY APPROVES of the action of the Faculty as announced in Wednesday morning Chapel. The object of punishment is not revenge—it is to warn others and to reform the transgressor. The more public the punishment, the less the good therefrom, in that the offender thus stigmatized becomes hardened to his lot and resigns himself to the class to which outraged public opinion unconsciously assigns him. It seems reasonable, then, to affirm that the method pursued was the most beneficial to the man himself. As to the warning effected, it is more than likely that this course will prove of greater efficacy in preventing repetition than the public punishment of the individual, for the latter course could not but excite a certain sympathy among the individual's associates. This sympathy would tend to minimize in their minds the moral wrong involved. Yet the warning phase is so important as to preclude the alternative of entirely hushing up the matter. The most common objection to the Faculty's action is this: That it is unjust to cast suspicion on many for the offense of one. Casting aside the abstraction that if a man is innocent he is immune to suspicion, is it not preferable to slightly injure ten men than to brand for life one man, and on his first offense at that?

THE YEARLY announcement of Clark Prize candidates is as reminiscent of our traditions as is the inevitable tolling of the nine o'clock Chapel bell. Time was when no laurels were as magnificent and no honor so cherished as those which the winner of K. P. achieved. To be such a victor was the hope of every ambitious Freshman. It was the *ultima thule* of his aspiration. We hear how the Freshmen toiled under upperclassman tutelage to prepare themselves for the contest years to come and what astounding labors were devoted to the shaping and trimming of their K. Ps. once they had earned the enviable privilege of writing. We blush to hear of the diligence, the assiduity, the prolonged application which composed the apprenticeship of the aspirants. And tho we are inclined to forgive any diminution of that pristine glory which won Hamilton its farthest fame by reflecting on the different demands of the time and the necessary adaptation, Clark Prize still stands and will stand as long as expression, as well as method of thought, is worthy of striving for, as one of the ideals of the College. If the upperclassmen would again take in hand their old-time supervision, with Clark Prize as the goal, no better service could be done for the Alma Mater.

—Prof. White has received a unanimous call to become pastor of the Stone Church in Clinton, the pulpit of which he has been supplying for over a year.

FOUNTAIN ROW.

Pluvial ceremonies in honor of the newly repaired fountain were duly inaugurated last Monday morning, when the two underclasses met for the first "Fountain Row" of the season. The water had hardly been turned on when representatives of the Sophomore and Freshman classes had tested its merits as a bathtub.

The Sophomores turned out in a body at about a quarter of ten and searched for a victim to sacrifice to the Goddess of Fountains. The Freshmen, however, offered a stiff row in lieu of a willing victim. Final honors stood about even, eight of each class getting proof positive that the water in the fountain was cold and wet. During the row one of the Freshmen got an inspiration. As a result several of the Sophomore's coats went into the drink. This action caused some stir—especially among the Sophomores. After a sufficient number of victims had been offered and cleansed in the virgin waters, the demands of the Goddess of the Fountain, and incidentally, those of the upperclassmen, were satiated. The meeting was accordingly adjourned.

GLEE CLUB LEADER

On Monday, Frederick Hastings Smyth, 1909, of Utica, was elected Leader of the Glee Club for the season of 1908-9. The new leader has been a member of the Club since Freshman year and is well fitted for the arduous duties before him. Much is expected of him by the College. It is for him to keep the Club to its present high standard and, as important as this, to hold the organization to discipline and capacity for hard, consistent work thruout two-thirds of the college year. He will strive to continue the present policies of the Club, the main ones of which are briefly: (1) Call for new candidates the first Monday of Fall term and immediately select twenty-four men who are in the main to constitute the Club for the year. (2) Strict attendance and promptness at rehearsals, enforced primarily by the "fine system." (3) The selection of catchy, swinging music, with especial endeavor toward originality thruout the program. (4) Fairness in making up the Club—excellence of voice to count primarily, but with two other considerations in mind: adaptability to "incidental stunts," and appearance and social qualities of the candidate.

The prospects for next year are very bright. From the final Club only four men are lost thru graduation: Simmons, Cody, Weekes, Fitch. Weekes and the famous "Schone Garten" are lost forever. His place alone cannot be filled. In White the best second bass of the present decade is lost. His place will be hard to fill both on the Club and in the quartet. Simmons will be missed not so much on account of his voice as from the executive point of view. Fitch has sung in the difficult first tenor ranks with fidelity.

With practically nothing to cope with, and with the Clubs on the highest wave of popularity, Smyth should take them ahead with unabated speed.

TRACK

The Track men have been out practicing on the track nearly every day since the term opened. Capt. Smith has been working very hard and he and Coach Baxter have rounded the men well into shape. More material would be desirable but much has been done with the men who are out. There are two meets for the Track men to look forward to, besides the Interclass meet, namely, R. P. I. at Troy May 23 and Union on the Campus May 30.

Of the weight men Sherwin and Baldwin, '10 are showing good form. For the high jump their are Hull, '08, Doherty and Wilson, '09 and Sherwin and Wheeler, '10. Hull, Sherwin and Wheeler are the likely men. In the broad jump, Spencer, '09, Leavenworth, '10 and Colson, '11 are to be relied upon. Leavenworth, '09 and Leavenworth, '10 are making good in the pole vault. In the sprints there are Roseboom and Hull, '08, Spencer and Roenke, '09, Engs and Volovic, '10, Colson, Jones and Peters, '11, McLean, '08, Wilson, '09 and Leavenworth, '10 are the hurdle men. For the distance runs there is more material. H. Smith, '08, Babcock, '08, Spencer, McLean and Getman, '09, Engs, Wills, Stube, Knox, Renwick and Abbott, '10 together with Willard and Gaige, '11 form a strong aggregation of these men. Babcock, Spencer, McLean, Abbott, Knox, Renwick and Engs are running in good form. Smith is the best.

Irregularity in attending practice has been a disadvantage to many of the men. As Capt. Smith points out, the track men have had and have yet enough meets to enter to make practice worth while. Both he and Coach Baxter are very much in earnest about the work and the least the College can do is to give them hearty support and encouragement.

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HILL NOTES

--The Committee on Interclass Day: Prof. Babcock, H. Smith, '08, Thomas, '09, Abbott, '10, and Sidle, '11.

—Football practice is to be held Monday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons at 3.

—Men on the Hill will have a last opportunity to see "His House in Disorder" Wednesday evening, when the Charlatans present it at Scollard Opera House for the benefit of the Kirkland Town Library.

—Bate, Beck, Kitson, McMartin and Newton have been elected to Phi Beta Kappa. An initiation was held on Tuesday afternoon.

—The following Sophomores have received prize "stab" appointments: Barber, Coupe, Cross, Dounce, I. Hall, Harper, Hastings, Leavenworth, McNair, Sarles, Stube and Titus. The trials for prize stage will take place on May 20th. The Freshman prize "stab" will be held May 27th, and the following men will participate: Anibal, Casey, Colson, Gaige, Gouge, Martin, O'Brian, Peters and Wisehart.

TENNIS

Last Wednesday afternoon the Tennis team of five men was defeated in the first tournament of the season in six out of seven matches with Cornell University at Ithaca. Altho it had rained hard the day before and constantly threatened rain on Wednesday, the tournament was pulled off in spite of the few scattering drops from above and the soggy ground beneath. Play began at 3 p. m. and it was 7 before the last match of doubles was finished, which happened to be the only one ending favorably to us. The number of veterans on both teams was equally proportioned.

The damp ground did not show up to any advantage the playing on either side, deadening the bound of balls and consequently necessitating much tiresome covering of ground. Under rather unfavorable conditions such as these the team presented a good fight, as the following scores indicate:

Capt. Watson, '08, beaten by Chase, '08, 6-0, 7-5; Simmons, '08, beaten by Kelkner, '09, 6-1, 6-4; Conklin, '09, beaten by White, '08, 6-3, 6-2; Getman, '11, beaten by Meriss, '10, 2-6,6-4,6-4; Day, '11, beaten by Capt. Greer, '08, 6-8,6-3,6-1.

In doubles, however, we won one of the two matches, which saved us from a total defeat. Watson and Day, beaten by Greer and White, 7-5,6-4; Conklin and Getman defeated Chase and Kelkner, 6-2, 8-6.

There is great chance to retrieve on May 28th, when the Cornell men play here. The next match is scheduled for May 13th, with Union, on our own courts.

THE PLAY IN UTICA

The Charlatans made their debut "on the road" in Utica last Monday evening, and gave, what the Press has styled "the most successful amateur performance ever witnessed in Utica." "His House in Disorder" was presented at the Auditorium for the benefit of Faxton Hospital. Altho the weather detracted the crowd somewhat, there was a good-sized and appreciative audience in attendance. Fully two-thirds of the house was sold, altho many were prevented from coming. It is estimated that about $150 was realized for the hospital.

The production itself was fully as good, if not better, than that of Junior Week. As was the case in the first appearance, the "ladies" made the hit of the evening. Woollcott, Rudd, and Smyth, '09, were certainly all that could be desired in their respective roles, the first as the blase Gutta Percha girl, the second the charming young wife, and the last as the coy and attractive Daisy Maitland. Getman, '09, played the part of Mrs. Gillibrand with a sternness of voice and countenance of good style. Welch, '09, handled the long and difficult role of Arthur Hummingtop in a very satisfactory manner. The sporty brother-in-law was played by A. F. Osborn, '09, realistically. Willoughby, '09, as the butler, and McAneny, '10, as the maid, served well.

Between Acts I and II there was a solo by Hastings, '10, who sang in his usual fine manner. A quartet composed of Sicard, '06, Hastings, '10, Allen and Sidle, '11, sang a pleasing darky melody between the last two acts. At the conclusion of the play, the chairs were cleared away, and dancing was enjoyed, music being furnished by Nickel's orchestra. Refreshments were served in the banquet-room.

The production was a success in every way, and did great credit to the College. The men who took part should be congratulated for the efforts to make this phase of College activity an achievement in our history.

FOOTBALL PRACTICE

Last Wednesday, the first spring Football practice was held. Explicit instructions and a scheme of play devised by Coach Pryor were on hand, so that the work started off intelligently. The men who were out were Captain Thomas, H. P. Osborn, Marriott, '09, Leavenworth, Glover, Baldwin, Wheeler, '10, Sidle, E. Jones, Wisehart, Burdick, Martin, '11. Baldwin is looked upon as promising material for the line, as he is heavy and has a good prep. school reputation. So far family objections have kept him out of the game. The men now out give a good foundation for next year's team and will be thoroly drilled in the new systems of signals. Now that "Hod" Holley, '08, is about to graduate, the quarterback problem again confronts us. Burdick, '11, seems to have first call on this position, tho he will have to improve steadily in order to hold it. The new system of signals, while not calling for an exceptionally fast man as quarter, demand great head-work and speed in running the team. Speed is the sole hope of a light team and the indications are that the season of 1908 will show the speediest team ever on the Hill.

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